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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Mitsuya SATO

Application No.: 09/940,461

Filed: August 29, 2001

For: EXPOSURE APPARATUS AND
METHOD, DEVICE MANUFACTURING
METHOD, AND DISCHARGE LAMP

Examiner: P. KIM

Group Art Unit: 2851

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please further amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, before line 7, insert the following paragraph in lieu of the paragraph submitted in the Preliminary Amendment filed August 29, 2001:

-- This application is a divisional of copending U.S. Application No.

09/276,834, filed March 26, 1999. --

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